

I am deeply concerned about the proposed measures that would allow fewer companies to control more of the public airwaves. Ours is a diverse nation, and diversity of information is a vital component of our open and free society. Furthermore, the diversity of the source of our information is, beyond any doubt, integral to the preservation of our most valued qualities, e.g. freedom and democracy. One need look no further than the results of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, where the ownership of the radio stations of our country end up in the hands of a few, to see the danger of allowing the current proposal to be voted on this coming June.

I urge each of the commissioners to uphold the current law that protects this vital public property, the airwaves of America.

Sincerely,  
-Robert H. Trudell